

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An application preparation assisting method for assisting in preparing an application for making a document-based application to a public organization, comprising the steps of:

acquiring information on a world-wide standard which defines contents that should be described in said application;

acquiring information on a standard unique to each country which is defined in detail in conformity to said world-wide standard, and information on published applications and examinations unique to each country; and

assisting in preparing application documents based on said acquired information on the world-wide standard, information on the standard unique to each country, and information on the application and examination.

2. An application preparation assisting method according to claim 1, further comprising:

preparing and converting the application documents for a certain country to comply with an application format or examination conditions in said country.

3. An application preparation assisting method according to claim 1, further comprising:

acquiring information on documents which have been applied in a certain country, and information on

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assisting in preparing an application for another country with reference to said information on the documents.

electronically submitting the prepared application documents to perform electronic application processing.

recording an entire manipulation procedure of an operator for preparing an application with the assistance of application preparation as log information so that the log information can be viewed at a later time.

means for acquiring and utilizing information on a world-wide standard which defines contents that should be described in said application;

means for acquiring and utilizing information on a standard unique to each country which is defined in detail in conformity to said world-wide standard,

and information on published applications and examinations unique to each country; and

means for assisting in preparing application documents based on said acquired information on the world-wide standard, information on the standard unique to each country, and information on the application and examination.

7. An application preparation assisting system according to claim 6, further comprising:

means for preparing and converting the application documents for a certain country to comply with an application format or examination conditions in said country.

8. An application preparation assisting system according to claim 6, further comprising:

means for acquiring information on documents which have been applied in a certain country, and information on documents which have accepted permission from said country as a result examinations after application,

wherein said means for assisting in preparing application documents prepares an application for another country with reference to said information on the documents.

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